Transition Assessment for Students with **Severe & Multiple Disabilities**

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 - Independent Living Assessments & the IEP
 - Career Interests/Skills & the IEP
 - Self-Determination Assessments & the IEP
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ASK QUESTIONS ALONG THE WAY!

Web Links

- Handout lists all the web sites used today
- See us to copy onto thumb drive so they can be clicked while open on your computer
- Easy to read compared to PowerPoint slides

Transition Assessment Timeline



- By ability and age or grade level, list recommended assessments.
- Enables all educators to know what assessments to use and when.
- · Allow flexibility to meet student needs and development in the field.

Description of Students with Severe and Multiple Disabilities



- · Demonstrate diverse skills, strengths, limits, and support needs
- Multiple system impairments that impact the student, family, community participation, and severity of associated health conditions
- Two or more simultaneously occurring impairments
- · Supports are usually pervasive and extensive in order to achieve community living, employment, and self-sufficiency.

Description - continued



Severity Continuum







- Communication issues frequently
- Self-care issues almost always
- Intellectual issues often, but not always
- "Multiple" systems always

Mild

Moderate

Severe Profound

WHAT IS A SATISFYING LIFE FOR YOU?



WHAT IS A SATISFYING LIFE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES?



A Satisfying Life is...



- Home, career, social life, community lifestyle, spiritual well being (Romer, Frantangelo, & Fanjoy, 2009)
- Personal Fulfillment?
 - Right mix of opportunities and support to nourish the presence and contribution of a human being (Kendrick, 2009)
 - Outcome of high quality supports
 - A life that is uniquely ones own! (Simpson, 2009)

Satisfying Participation in Life Includes...



Realizing societal roles, with or without support, in a meaningful and satisfying way

Work participation and being satisfied with life is broader than just 'job satisfaction'...(Van Campen & Cardol, 2007)

Four years after high school, youth with multiple disabilities were least engaged in their communities (NLTS-2)



Recognizing Ability







Lauren's Satisfying Life...







Guiding Questions for Secondary

- **Transition Planning for Youth with Significant Disabilities** 1. Can the young adult express interests? If
- caregivers to develop transition plan. 2. What are special health care needs?

no, get information from parents and

3. What are needs/challenges preventing the young adult from working outside the home?





Guiding Questions for Secondary Transition Planning for Youth with Significant Disabilities

- 4. Who can provide education/training to assist the young adult?
- What can the young adult accomplish without assistance?
- What else could the young adult accomplish if assistance were provided by a job coach, habilitation training specialist (HTS), or other caregiver?

Postsecondary Goals

- · Each student of transition age on an IEP, must have a postsecondary goal/vision listed on the top of the transition services plan page of the IEP.
- This postsecondary goal must address: Education/training and employment. Independent living goals (as needed)...

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Sample Postsecondary Goals

Education/Training: Jessie will audit childcare/early childhood classes at the local Career Tech Center with a full-time HTS.

Employment: With the help of a full-time HTS, Jessie will work as a volunteer 3 afternoons a week at a childcare program.

Independent/Adult Living: Jessie will live in a group home and utilize public transportation to participate in her classes and job shadowing experiences.

Annual Transition Goal



- Matches postsecondary goal
- · Measureable and be accomplished in a year

Quiz Time!!!!



- 1. After high school, Calvin will live and participate as he can at home, volunteer at his church weekly, and work with job coach in supported employment project.
- Using customized computer applications (auditory reader and voice activation) Calvin will complete a resume and job application with 90% accuracy.
- After graduation, Kelly will take journalism classes at the Career Tech and seek intern experiences with a publisher.
- Kelly will describe 5 accommodations she needs in the general education setting and why she needs them with 100% accuracy.

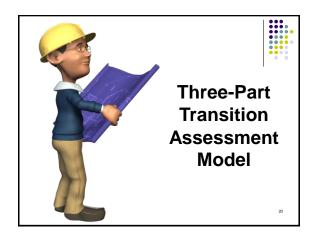
NSTTAC can help!



National Secondary Transition Technical
Assistance Center (NSTTAC) has good and
not so good examples of postsecondary
goals. Check out more examples at:

http://www.nsttac.org/content/nsttac-indicator-13-checklist-form-b-enhanced-professionaldevelopment

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The Purpose of SPED



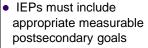


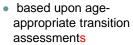
... a free appropriate public education that emphasizes special education and related services designed to meet students' unique needs and to prepare them for further education, employment, and independent living.

2004 IDEA Changed Secondary SPED

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IDEA 2004 Post-Secondary Goals





 related to training, education, employment, and when appropriate, independent living



Student Transition Questions



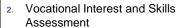
- Postschool Goal Questions
 - Where do I want to live
 - Where do I want to work?
 - Where do I want to learn?
- Annual Transition Goal Question
 - What do I need to learn now to live where I want?
 - What do I need to learn now to do the career I want?
 - What do I need to learn now to be able to learn where I want?

Greene, G., & Kochhar-Bryant, C. A. (2003). Pathways to successful transition for youth with disabilities. New Jersey: Merrill Prentice Hall.

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Transition Assessment Model Components





3. Self-Determination Assessment



Most are informal and lack valid & reliable studies. They ARE good for instructional planning!!

Independent Living Assessments

Part 1 of the 3-Part Transition Assessment Model

This is the area that oftentimes impacts so many other postsecondary pursuits for students with severe and multiple disabilities.



Our Belief

- The law states that an independent living goal be addressed "when appropriate."
- We believe that to determine if an independent living goal needs to be written, an adaptive behavior assessment needs to be given. This provides evidence of needing an independent living goal or not. How else would a team determine if an independent living goal is needed?
- · Need to be functionally easy to use!
- · Need to be free or reasonably priced.

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Independent Living Assessments – We'll Focus on a Few

- Personal Preference Indicators (PPI)
- Adult Living and Employment Versions
- Supports Intensity Scale
 - Used by many adult service programs
- Enderle-Severson Transition Assessments
- Great tool for students with significant support needs
- Life Skills Inventory
 - Informal and free
- Casey Life Skills
 - · On-line and free

Personal Preference Indicators

- Designed for students with significant support needs
- Adult Living and Employment Supplement
 - Interview format
 - Family members, friends, professionals who know student well
 - · Likes, dislikes, social indicators, choices
 - · Health, body clock, future
- http://education.ou.edu/zarrow/
- · Cost: free
- Use the results in PLEP



Supports Intensity Scale American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AAIDD) Supports Intensity Scale Supports Intensity

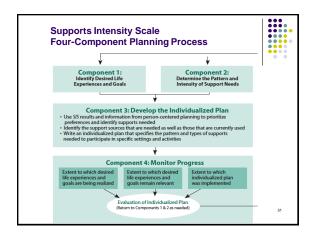
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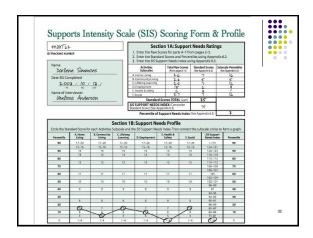
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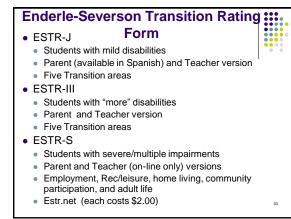
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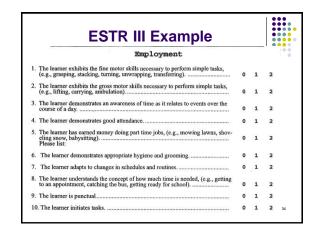
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- Price: Set: \$125.00
- Manual: \$95.00
- 25 Interview forms: \$38.75
- 100 Interview forms: \$147.25

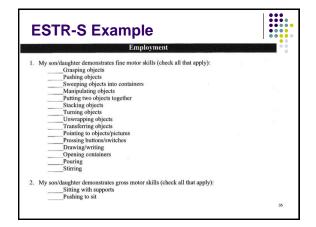
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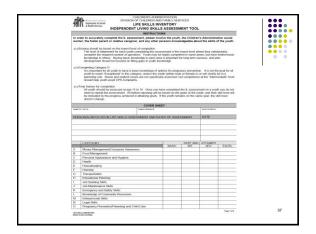


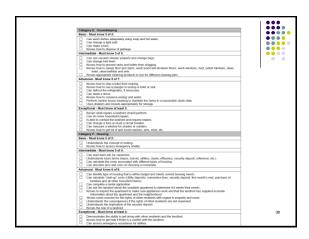


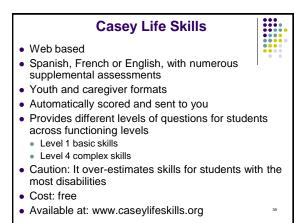
Life Skills Inventory

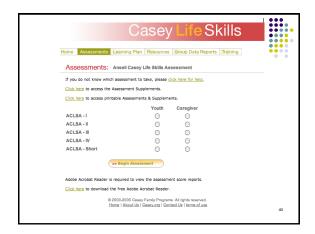


- 15 domains (money, hygiene, safety, etc)
 - Includes Job skills too!
- Four levels: basic, intermediate, advanced, exceptional
 - Must know 3 of 5 to advance from basic to intermediate
- Must know the person
- · Cost: free
- Google Life Skills Inventory or Download fromhttp://www.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/10 7.pdf

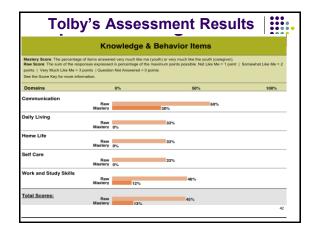












Functional Situational Assessment for Independent Living Skills



- TASK ANALYSIS
- A Task Analysis consists of a written list of the discrete steps required to complete a task, such as doing laundry, brushing teeth, mopping a floor, setting a table, maintaining a work setting, etc.

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	Task Analysi	s for Maintaini	ng Work Area
Task	Completed	Quality	Comments
Retrieve assignment			
Materials on work surface			
Complete assignment			
Return finished			
product/completed			
assignment to completed			
station			
Return additional			
materials to			
original/proper locations			
Clean work area with			
spray bottle and rag*			
Retrieve next assignment			
or request break			

Task Analysis - Examples



- http://www.mothering.com/education/autismsample-task-analysis-aba
- http://www.nsttac.org/pdf/lesson_plans/appliance s_laundry.pdf
- http://www.brighthub.com/education/special/articles/25800.aspx

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Vocational Interest and Skill Assessments

Part 2 of the 3-Part Transition Assessment Process



Functional Vocational
Assessment

Over time
Repeated Measures
Situational
Assessment

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Belief

- Work benefits individuals emotionally and socially
- Enables individuals to contribute to society and to their own well being
- Can be done without fear of losing social security or other benefits
- · Adds meaning to life

Employment Options



- Individual Supported Employment
- Group Supported Employment
- At Home or Community-Based Entrepreneurial Jobs

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Career Development Stages

- Awareness
- Exploration
- Preparation
- Assimilation
- Advancement
- Job Change(s)
- Exiting to Retirement

Choice Making

- Logical choice making occurs when chosen preferences match available jobs.
- Discrepancy problems occur when
 - Chosen job, task, and characteristics do not match specific jobs
- Discrepancy problems diminish when job site characteristics match preferences
- Task is to provide ample opportunities for students to determine matches and nonmatches.

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Tolby's Sample Postsecondary Goal

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Tolby will live at home with his mother, and with the support of a job coach, will volunteer at a local childcare facility where he will play music during dance and nap times.

Vocational Assessments – we'll focus on a few



- Personal Preference Indicators (PPI)
- Adult Living and Employment Versions
- Community Situational Assessment Process
 - Video: Choose and Take Action Vocational Assessment Software
 - Written: Choosing Employment Goals
 - Illustrated: Self-Directed Supported Employment
- Illustrated Interest Inventory
- Video Career Exploration
- Employability Skills Assessment

Personal Preference Indicators

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Choose and Take Action Vocational Assessment Software

Use of a software program and community experiences to identify entry-level job interests



Target Population



Secondary students and adults with moderate to significant cognitive needs who:

- Have difficulty getting information from print
 - Can attend to a computer screen
 - Can follow simple 1 or 2 step directions
 - •Have limited to no previous work experience

CTA Constructs



- Vocational Choice Making Characteristics Setting Activities (jobs)
- Planning
- Community Experience
 Watch
 Do
- Self-Evaluation
- · Choose Again with Adjustment

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CTA Choice Factors



14 entry-level vocational settings found in most communities

15 job activities repeated across two settings Care for animals in a vet's office Care for animals in a retail store

12 characteristics repeated across two or three activities

Working in a factory where it is inside and noisy

CTA Features



A navigator to give instructions and guide user through the program

Restricted mouse movements

Highlight critical features as navigator says them

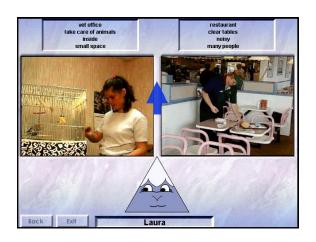
Record made of all choices

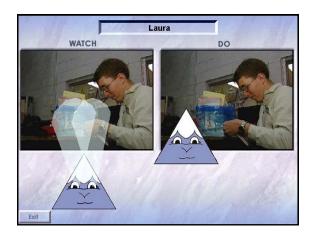
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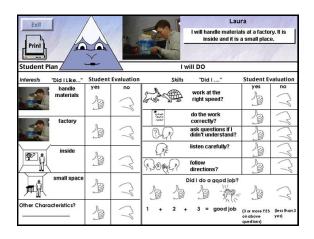
•	Format designed so teachers can add
	comments on student performance

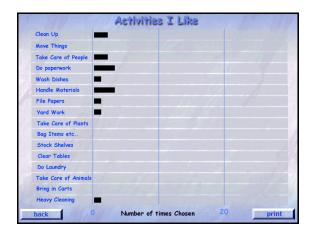
- Teacher can set number of video clips student can see in one trial
- > Pair of video clips presented together
- Minimum teacher control over available video choices

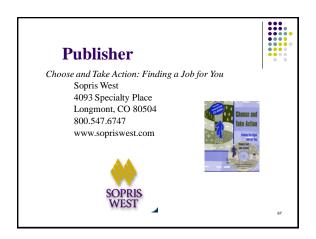
Settings	Activities	Characteristics
Car repair shop	Bag items/bring carts	Big open space
Child care center	Care for animals	Small space
Construction site	Care for people	Clean
Factory	Care for plants	Messy
Greenhouse	Clean-up	Few people
Grocery store	Clear tables	Many people
Hospital	Filing	Inside
Hotel	Handle materials	Outside
Janitorial service	Heavy cleaning	Noisy
Landscape Company	Laundry	Quiet
Office	Move things	Wear own clothes
Restaurant	Do paperwork	Wear a uniform
Store	Stock shelves	
Vet Office	Wash dishes	
	Yard work	











Community-Based Situational Assessment Process

- · Repeated data collection across time
- Written assessments
- Illustrated assessment

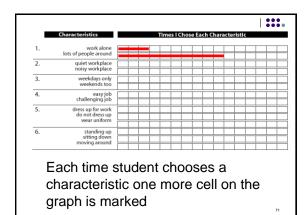
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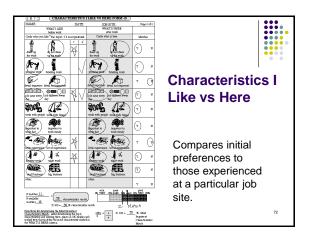
Job Characteristics I Like



- Teach Job Characteristics
- Important selection factor
- Introduces Match Concept between
 - What I like
 - · What's at their job
- Computes % of Matches

weekdays only weekends too weekdays only weekends too easy job challenging job Key: dress up for wor do not dress up wear uniform Determine standing up sitting down moving aroun Match work mornings work afternoons work nights Between co-workers my age co-workers not my age -What I thinking work physical work Like and detail important detail not importa detail important detail not importa What's At YES work with people work with things work with people work with things Their Site important to work fast not important to work little supervision a lot of supervision little supervision a lot of supervision work outside work inside work outside work inside





Build Forms



- Few vocational illustrations exists
- Cut and paste the SDSE illustrations to make forms
- Go to:

http://brookespublishing.com/picturebank/

 Use these with Pages or In-Design page layout program to build own forms electronically

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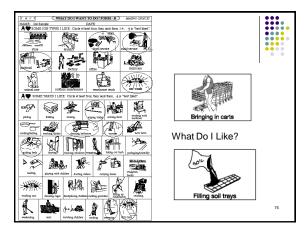
Job Duties I Like

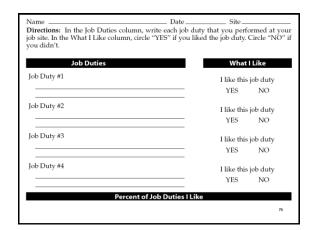


- Identifies job duties
 - Based upon current job or work experience
- Assess preferences for job duties
- Calculate % of Job Duties I Like



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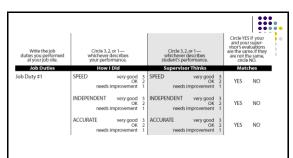


Job Duties - How I Did

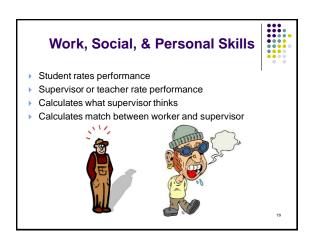


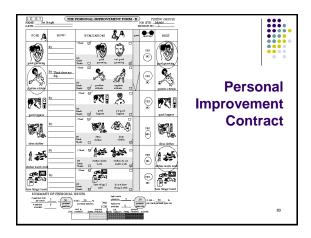
- Job duties identified and written onto form
- Student evaluates speed, independent performance, and accuracy
- Supervisor evaluates speed, independent performance, and accuracy
- · Match made between student and supervisor

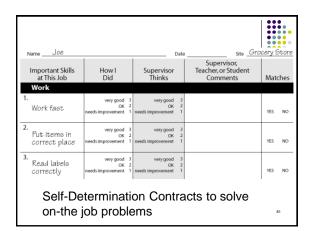


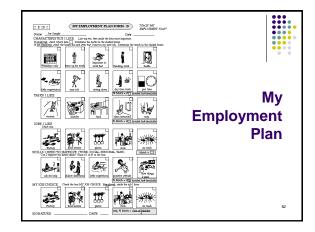


Uses self-evaluation methodology to teach job performance skills and to assess job duty skills













Illustrated Interest Inventories

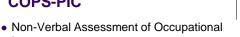


- · Trouble reading, but can understand concept.
- High level jobs

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Career Awareness & **Exploration via Video**

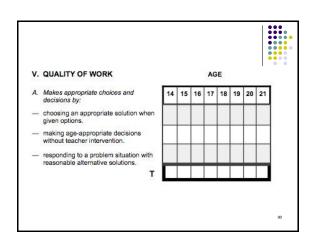
- Video by Job Clusters
 - Video
 - http://acinet.org/acinet/videos.asp?id=27,&nodeid=27
 - · Provides numerous videos for students to watch
 - English or Spanish
 - Job cluster and skill categories

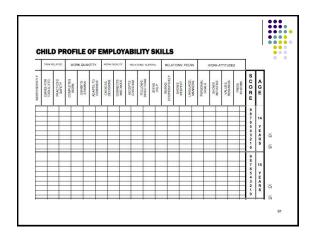
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 Videos showing the types of work people do in nearly 550 careers and videos for the 16 clusters recognized by the Department of Education. Career Videos in Spanish
 Spanish language versions of over 300 videos.
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 Videos about skills and abilities people use to do certain types of work Industry Videos
 Videos for specific industries like Health Service and Insurance. Work Option Videos
 Videos about specific types of work like apprenticeship, on-the-job training, and non-traditional work. <u>Download Videos</u>
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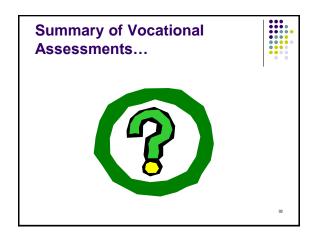
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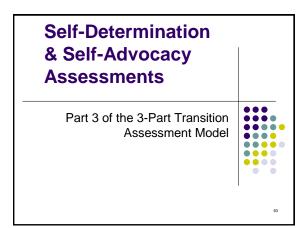


- 8 Domains
- Self-Help Skills
- Work Habits
- Task Related
- Work Quality
- · Relations with Supervisor
- · Relations with Peer
- Work Attitudes
- Profile by age
- Cost Free Google "Employability Skills Assessment"



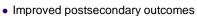








Why SD Assessment?



- Goal setting during early adolescence
- Awareness of disability
- Goal attainment
- Improved academic performance
 - Limited studies so far

Self –Determination Assessments – We'll focus on a few



- Guide to Assessing College Readiness
- AIR Self-Determination Assessment
 - Student, Parent, Teacher Versions
- ARC Self-Determination Assessment
 - Student Version

Guide to Assessing College Readiness

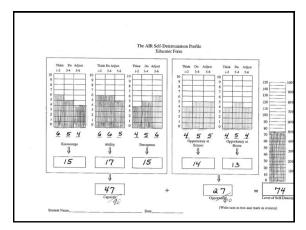
- Landmark College "Parent" Assessment
- · Read each item with student and discuss
- Provides Assessment for Self-Advocacy to include in annual transition goals
- Five Domains
 - Academic Skills
 - Self-Understanding
 - Self-Advocacy
 - Executive Functioning
 - Motivation and Confidence

AIR Self-Determination Assessment



- Parent Version
- Teacher Version
- Student Version
- Available at
 - http://education.ou.edu/zarrow
- · Cost: free

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Example Present Level of Achievement Using the AIR Self Determination

Assessment Strengths

coment Date

- Current Assessment Data
 - Bill obtained a 48% on the AIR Educator Self-Determination Assessment given on 11-8-09.
- Objective Statement
 - Bill has about half of the overall SD skills and opportunities needed to master these skills. He needs increased school and home opportunities to develop and master additional SD skills for success in welding school.
- Knows own ability and limitation and can express these
- Set goals
- Change plan to accomplish goals
- accomplish goalsAnticipated Effects
- When provided the opportunity to set and express goals at his next IEP meeting, Bill can engage in this activity.
- Needs
 - Opportunities at school and home to learn and practice additional SD skills

Annual Transition Goal: Education/Training



- Bill will increase his overall self-determination score from 48% to 75% as measured on the AIR self-determination assessment.
- Objective/Benchmark
 - To demonstrate leadership at IEP meetings, Bill will increase his scores on the Expressing Goals section of the ChoiceMaker Self-Determination Assessment from 20% to 90%.
 - Bill will develop and implement a weekly goal attainment plan to attain two or more IEP goals by successfully completing 90% or more of the Take Action Goal Attainment process.

Annual Education/Training Coordinated Activities



- Coordinated Activities
 - Bill will share his weekly goal attainment plan with his family.
 - Bill will build his SOP with his family to share at the IEP meeting.
- Responsible Parties
 - Bill and special education teacher
 - Bill and parents

ARC Self-Determination Assessment

- Student version
- Must use the manual to score
- Cost: free
- Available at http://education.ou.edu/zarrow

Summary of Self-determination Assessments



